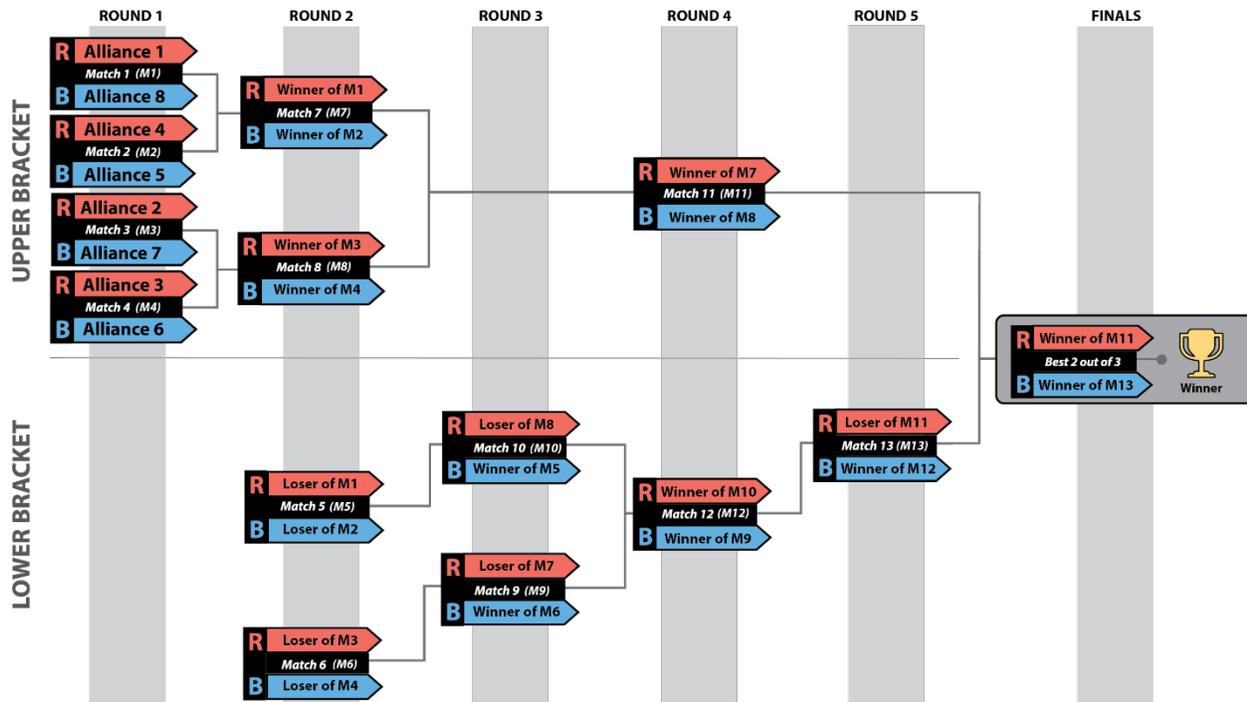


Figure 10-2 Playoff MATCH bracket (Red ALLIANCE tops each pairing)



As shown in Figure 10-2 and Table 10-2, Playoff MATCHES consist of 6 rounds with breaks between later rounds and between Finals MATCHES. Breaks begin after the FIELD has been cleared from the previous MATCH. The Blue and Red Gap columns indicate the approximate time between each ALLIANCE'S MATCHES. The expected start time of the scheduled MATCH is the time indicated on the MATCH schedule or 15 minutes from the end of either ALLIANCE'S previous MATCH, whichever is later.

If a Playoff MATCH needs to be replayed as described in [Section 10.2 MATCH Replays](#) in the Game Manual, teams are notified of when the replay will occur. A minimum 10-minute delay is provided for teams to reset their ROBOTS prior to the replay unless all teams are ready sooner. The affected MATCH must be replayed before the next round begins.

Table 10-2 Typical Playoff MATCH schedule

Round	MATCH	Upper/ Lower	Gap (min)				Next MATCH (MATCH # (ALLIANCE color))	
			Blue	Red	Blue	Red	Winner	Loser
1	1	Upper	8	1			M7 (R)	M5 (R)
	2	Upper	5	4			M7 (B)	M5 (B)
	3	Upper	7	2			M8 (R)	M6 (R)
	4	Upper	6	3			M8 (B)	M6 (B)
2	5	Lower	L2	L1	0:24	0:33	M10 (B)	
	6	Lower	L4	L3	0:15	0:24	M9 (B)	
	7	Upper	W2	W1	0:42	0:51	M11 (R)	M9 (R)
	8	Upper	W4	W3	0:33	0:42	M11 (B)	M10 (R)
3	9	Lower	W6	L7	0:24	0:15	M12 (B)	
	10	Lower	W5	L8	0:42	0:15	M12 (R)	
6-minute break								
4	11	Upper	W8	W7	0:27	0:36	M14 (R)	M13 (R)
	12	Lower	W9	W10	0:27	0:18	M13 (B)	
15-minute awards break: Imagery, Gracious Professionalism, Team Spirit, and Rookie Inspiration								
5	13	Lower	W12	L11	0:18	0:27	M14 (B)	
15-minute awards break: Autonomous, Creativity, Quality, and Industrial Design								
Finals	14		W13	W11	0:18	0:48	M15	M15
15-minute awards break: Innovation in Control, Excellence in Engineering, Team Sustainability, Judges								
Finals	15		W13	W11	0:18	0:18	M16*	M16*
15-minute awards break: Rookie All Star, Dean's List, Engineering Inspiration**								
Finals	16*		W13	W11	0:18	0:18		
Awards: Remaining awards, Finalists, Winners, and FIRST Impact Award								

* if required

** Program Delivery Partners may choose to hold these awards until after all MATCHES are complete.